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In re Application of:)
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Application No.: 09/400,281) Group Art Unit: 2661
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For: COMMUNICATION APPARATUS)
AND COMMUNICATION RATE)
SELECTING METHOD THEREOF)

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed December 20, 2002, the period of response extending to March 20, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 7-10 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1-6 and add new claims 11-27 as follows:

1. (Amended) A communication apparatus for communicating over a plurality of channels, the apparatus comprising:
a notifying unit configured to notify a connected another communication apparatus of a number of usable channels based on a negotiation between the communication apparatus and a relay station being connected to the communication apparatus;

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